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For

GENE THERAPY FOR REGULATING SMOOTH MUSCLE

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COMMUNICATION IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated June 9, 2000, Applicants enclose the following:

- 1. a copy of the June 9, 2000 Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application (Exhibit A);
- 2. a Petition for Three Month Extension of Time (Exhibit B);
- 3. an executed Declaration for Utility Patent Application (Exhibit C);
- 4. a Statement Claiming Small Entity Status in the name of Ion Channel Innovations, LLC (Exhibit D);
- 5. a Statement Claiming Small Entity Status in the name of Albert Einstein College of Medicine (Exhibit E); and
- 6. a check in the amount of \$1027 to cover the \$355 basic filing fee, the \$162 additional claims fee, the \$65 surcharge fee, and the \$445 three month extension of time fee, all for a small entity.





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Based upon the extension of time, a response to the August 9, 2000 Notice is now due November 9, 2000. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

Authorization is hereby given to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in the enclosed fees to Deposit Account No. 01-1785.

Respectfully submitted,

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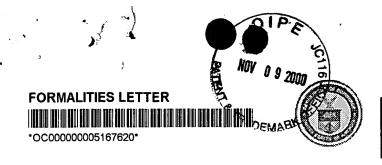
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$288.
 - \$288 for 16 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.

 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 1108.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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